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To the Coal Banks.

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CASKY
Judges—W. E. Wardell and Thomas Green.
Sheriff—Newton Watson; Clerk, A. J. Loyd.
PEMNOKE
Judges—D. S. Hord and James H. Murphy.
Sheriff—Capt. Tom Smith; Clerk, R. Y. Pendleton.
BARKER'S MILL
Judges—T. M. Barker and Mercer Harris.
Sheriff—Richard Monroe; Clerk, W. W. Barker.
LOXONVIEW
Judges—James Clardy and W. B. Radford.
Sheriff—M. A. Garrett; Clerk, L. O. Garrett.
GARNETTSBURG
Judges—L. Wilkins and Peter Fox.
Sheriff—Austin Peay; Clerk, L. Giles.
LAFAYETTE, No. 1.
Judges—R. J. Cooper and Ben Carter.
Sheriff—A. W. Williams; Clerk, Tom Terry.
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Judges—James T. Colman and A. J. Boyd.
Sheriff—T. C. Hauberry; Clerk, C. P. Pace.
UNION SCHOOL HOUSE, No. 1.
Judges—P. J. Glass and J. H. Killibrew.
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BELLEVUE
Judges—John M. Cox and A. E. Owen.
Sheriff—Robert Mason; Clerk, S. S. Lander.
BAINBRIDGE
Judges—J. M. P. Pool and John Wright.
Sheriff—Geo. Quisenberry; Clerk, John W. Stith.
HAMBY
Judges—John Gilliland and Jas. H. Sipes.
Sheriff—John Davis, Clerk, F. W. Owen.
SCATS
Judges—S. B. Terry and James W. Shirey; J. C. McKnight; Clerk, J. M. Burks.
STEWARTS
Judges—Joseph Hite, Sr., and H. W. Shirey.
Sheriff—B. E. Parker; Clerk, R. S. Hunter.
FRUIT HILL
Judges—S. H. Myers and W. R. Oats.
Sheriff—G. W. Davis; Clerk, G. T. King.
WILSONS
Judges—S. D. Pepper and H. H. West.
Sheriff—Dan Dulin; Clerk, F. M. Grace.
MOUNT VERNON
Judges—Henry Morris and Fred Elgin.
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FAIRVIEW, No. 1
Judges—M. A. Fritzel and John Graham.
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Judges—Richard Vaughan and Jas. E. Moody.
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CROFTON
Judges—Rico Dunn and N. T. Nixon.
Sheriff—John Long; Clerk, Wm. Keith.
By order of the Democratic Committee for Christian County—
C. G. SHANKL, Chairman.
May 25th, 1880.

There will be a melancholy spectacle to see "when in the course of human events"—the *Dixon Pioneer* has vanquished all the Knights of the quill, and we behold her "Monarch of all she surveys," weeping that there are no more journalistic worlds to conquer.

Mendenhall by imported Puck-
ton made the instant time on record
at the late Lexington races. The
time was two minutes and eight sec-
onds. That horse seems to be as fast
as some of the Hopkinsville boys.

Next to the nomination of Tilden, we
desire most to see Grant as the
candidate of the Republican party.

We want to see him taken down a
few notches by just such a defeat as
Uncle Sammy would give him.

We are not a prophet nor the son
of a prophet but our prediction is that
Washington will be the nominee of
the Republican convention at
Chicago.

The Conservative party of Virginia
met last week and adopted a resolu-
tion to affiliate with the Democratic
party and support its nominees.

A female is called a woman; many
a poor married man has found that she
is a woe-man sure enough. Say,
you betrothed husband, isn't it so?

Gen. J. B. Gordon, of Georgia
has resigned his seat in the Senate,
and Ex-Governor Joe E. Brown has
been appointed in his stead.

There may be happier moments in
a boy's life than when he first sees his
name in print, but we doubt it very
much.

Call for Democratic Primary
Election.

Pursuant to the action of the Demo-
cratic Executive Committee of the 2nd
Judicial District it is hereby ordered
that a primary election be held at the
various precincts in this county on Sat-
urday the 12th day of June, 1880, be-
tween the hours of 7 o'clock in the
morning and 6 o'clock in the evening
for the purpose of ascertaining the
strength of the various candidates for
Circuit Judge and Commonwealth's
Attorney of this District.

All voters heretofore, and those who
are now acting in good faith with the
Democratic party, and all Democrats
who will be legal voters at the com-
ing August election, shall be entitled
to vote at this primary election.

The following named persons are
authorized to conduct said primary
election and in the event any fail
or refuse to act, the other officers
named are empowered to appoint a
suitable person or persons to fill
the vacancy or vacancies.

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SOCIALITIES.

Mr Jas. Burnett, marshal of Cadiz, was in the city last week.

Miss Mamie Jesup, has returned from a visit to the country.

Miss Minnie Payne, returned from a visit to friends at Princeton Sunday.

Hon. A. H. Clark was among the visitors to the Centennial from this place last week.

Miss Mollie Duke of Princeton, will arrive this week and pay a visit to Miss Mamie Hubbard.

Miss Lizzie Stollings, a charming young lady of Mayfield, is spending the week with Miss Ada Trice.

Mr. E. A. Starling, Jr. came down from Lexington Sunday, and spent the day with his friends in the city.

Miss Sue Steele, of Bellview, passed through the city last week en route for the Centennial at Nashville.

Miss Lizzie Dabney, a winsome and captivating bruisette belle of Princeton, Ky., is visiting the Miss Paxxes.

Miss Mattie Munford, an attractive young lady of West Park, in this county, is visiting the family of Abernathy.

Miss Mamie Solomon, of Owenton, will arrive this evening and spend some weeks visiting the family of Mr. W. L. Trice.

Misses Maul and Carrie Warfield, spent a day or two the early part of the week with Misses Bottie and Mary Campbell.

Mr. Jno. J. Milliken, county attorney of Simpson county, was in the city last week. He came to assist in bringing a lunatic to the Asylum.

Mr. Ben E. Gray, recently one of the editors of the *Colonist* Times was in the city last week and paid no visits. He was the guest of Dr. J. A. Dennis.

Mrs. F. C. Jennings, and her sweet little daughter, Dale, left yesterday for Russellville. They had been the guest of the Central florist while Mr. Jennings was selling lightning rods in the country.

Miss Annie Ware, one of the sweetest and most accomplished belles of Graves county will arrive in the city next week and spend a portion of the summer with her cousin, Misses Anna and May Ware.

New Advertisements.

Head the advertisement of Messrs. H. Dorman & Co., Piano dealers, Nashville, Tenn. They are general agents for the celebrated Steinway, Chickering, Miller, Emerson, Hale, and other standard pianos, and also Taylor & Farley, Wilcox & White, and other organs. Their agent Mr. A. P. Freeman has sold many pianos in this city, and vicinity, and not one has failed to give satisfaction. They are reliable business men and will do just what they say.

The new advertisement of Jesse French, Piano dealer, Nashville, Tenn., appears in another column. It sells the best pianos and organs of the most improved styles and tones. He has sold numbers of them in this country, and those who buy of him are very reliable recommend him to their friends. Those wishing to purchase the genuine articles should not fail to apply to Mr. French.

The advertisement of the mammoth clothing house of Chas. Thurman & Co., Nashville, Tenn., appears in another column. They keep everything in the line of genteel clothing goods, and merchant tailoring is a specialty. Read their advertisement, and give them your orders.

Wm. M. Butler, Importer and wholesale dealer in cigars, tobacco etc., Nashville, Tenn., will duplicate eastern house bills, and if satisfaction is not given the good can be returned within 30 days after sale. This is an offer perfectly fair and proves that he relies upon the merits of his cigars, for the success of his trade. Read his card in another column and favor him with your patronage.

Thanks Returned.

I am requested through the columns of your paper to return the thanks of the ladies of the First Presbyterian church of this city to their many friends who contributed so liberally to aid their festival on the evening of the 18th instant, and also to the community for their generous patronage. The publication of this note will be an addition to the frequent courtesies extended by you to the ladies of our church which are also now gratefully acknowledged.

Mrs. CLARENCE ANDERSON.

Democratic Mass Meeting.

Pursuant to a call of the State Central Committee, the Democracy of Christian county are requested to meet in mass convention at the Court-house in Hopkinsville, Saturday June 5th, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of appointing delegates to the State convention which assembled in Lexington June 17th.

The county will be entitled to one delegate for two hundred votes cast for Governor Blackburn, and one for every fraction of one hundred and over. By order of the Democratic Committee of Christian county.

W. J. SHANKIN, Chairman.

Judge Bowring, of Logan, is being urged to re-announce himself for the Circuit Judgehip.

HERE AND THERE.

The examinations at Bethel Female College begin to-day.

A new shed has been built over Mr. Myers' door.

Pete Owen is still on the track for city Marshal and don't you forget it. Spring chickens are in the market, though they are not larger than quails.

Ye editor's lot is a happy one while strawberries and cream are in season.

The Court of Claims, met Monday, of last week and remained in session two and a half days.

A young man named Malone spoke at Mozart Hall Saturday night, to a small audience.

Dr. J. H. Cottrell lectured at the Methodist church Friday night on Ingersollism.

Hiram's letter was "pled" just as the paper went to press, too late to put it in type again.

There was no preaching or Sunday school at the Methodist church Sunday in consequence of repairs going on.

PAYSON'S OPERA COMPANY.

Payson's English Opera Company rendered Flotow's popular and charming "Marina" to a good house Wednesday night. The company is one of the very best on the road and their singing was a treat to the lovers of music. The opera's aound in love ditties and the plot is quite good and keeps the interest alive throughout. The opera was presented with due and correct costumes and several difficult numbers of it usually omitted were restored and sung with the effect. Miss Rachel Sautelle did some fine singing. Her rendition of "The Last Rose of Summer" was superlative and was followed by a perfect storm of applause. Mr. E. G. Payson sustained the double parts of "Plunket and Lord Triton" and elicited frequent and vociferous applause. The other parts Lionel and Nancy were rendered by Mr. Henry Allen and Miss Adelicia Randal. It was a success, and as regarded those who appreciated the music, but those who went expecting to be amused rather than instructed were not satisfied.

SOUTHERN LIGHTNING ROD CO.

The following named agents for this company have been located at this place for the last month, working up this and adjoining counties:

J. T. Irace, F. C. Jennings, H. H. Heekok, J. K. Thompson, H. W. Saiter, Nelson Imman and R. W. Fox. They put up rods for Dr. Jas. Wheeler, Dr. J. D. Clardy, Gen. J. W. Gaines, John C. Latham, H. R. Nance, Hobt. Bryant, J. W. McGeehee, Hobt. Mason, and many others, all of whom are ready to testify as to the quality of the work, and to their entire satisfaction with it in every respect.

Politically we are rather quiet; but for president we will support the nominees; Wade Hampton choice Col. Polk, Dextor and West we believe are favorites among the county candidates.

We are pleased to hear the honorable county court made an appropriation to grade and metal the Boyd hill, that was so injurious and impassable for two or three months this year.

In conclusion let me say, that we understand some one was through this section, agent for a certain paper, and was ridiculing the correspondence of the Kentuckian, and the way it was conducted, etc. Let that be as it may the facts speak for themselves; as we hardly ever see a copy of his paper, and almost every family takes the Kentuckian, and say it is the best county paper now they ever saw. Long may it wave in triumph and prosperity.

COLORED CONCERT.

The examinations of the school taught by Geo. W. Heit, were in progress at the Court House last week. We learn that they were very creditable both to the pupils and their teacher. On Thursday and Friday nights concerts were given at Mozart Hall, to which many white persons listened. These concerts were conducted in a quiet and orderly manner, and the dialogues and songs evinced that colored people can be taught these things, and to those who are unprejudiced can acquit themselves in a commendable manner.

Mr. Hauberry has leased the People's Farm for five years at \$1,200. per year. Mr. Hauberry is a good farmer and will doubtless make money on the farm.

Mr. W. E. Audeck is the happy man in this time. It is a girl and weighs thirteen pounds.

Thanks, "Tyra," for the invitation and would be pleased to give you Believersians the correct time when ever you get a little off. By the way "Tyra," speaking of snakes, the one you mentioned as not having been found yet, was killed near this place three weeks ago and had thirty-nine rattles.

A great many tobacco plants were set out last Friday. A large crop will doubtless be planted out if the farmers are favored with another season.

The ladies' hat this season is made of straw, knickered on the front, jacked in on the back, shovelled in on the top.

Then the rim is jammed up all around to make the whole effect harmonious. The desired condition can be obtained by taking one of last year's hats and letting a freight train, filled with Tidens boys, run over it.

We learn, with feelings akin to pain, of the intended removal of Dr. H. H. Hickman, was severely hurt last Tuesday by attempting to jump on a moving train. He fell and struck his head, tearing off a portion of the scalp, and inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. At present he is doing as well as could be expected.

Either the railroad or city authorities should take steps to keep the innumerable crowd of small boys, both white and black, that assemble around the depot, from fooling around moving trains. Some of them are destined to lose their lives in jumping on trains that are passing. They should be sat down upon.

There will be a grand picnic and bran-daisies at the Chalybeate Springs, near Croton, on Saturday June 5th, to which the public generally is invited, and the candidates are especially requested to attend and speak on the occasion. The managers promise to do all in their power to make it a success.

The Baptist church will be changed very much. The inside partition will be taken out and the vestibule thrown into the main room. The pulpit will be moved forward and rooms constructed on each side and a baptistry underneath. The elevated yard in front is being dug away and leveled with the street. Other improvements will be made and it will be two months or more before the work is done. When finished it will be the finest and handsomest church in the city.

We had the pleasure of inking tea with our much esteemed friend Mr. S. C. Mercer, one evening last week.

Mr. Mercer has one of the prettiest places in the vicinity of the city, and raises the finest varieties of fruits of all kinds.

His strawberries, were as fine as ever sampled, and the best we have seen this season. He plucked some from his vines last week that measured from four to five inches in circumference.

Mr. Berry a very old citizen near this place is very sick and not expected to live long.

Wanderer need not have lifted his quill and ended his letter. I will not intrude friend Wanderer, for items are not so scarce in Laytonsville that I will have to go to Pondrivers to gather them.

PREACHING NOTICES.

Rev. R. H. Coulter, of Tennessee, who presided the services of the First Presbyterian church at Mozart Hall last Sunday, will preach at the same place next Sunday morning.

SINKING FORE.

Now for a season of sickness among those who set tobacco in the rain all day. All such exposure generally brings many aches and pains as a reward.

Miss Alice, of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting Miss Mollie McCarroll. She is a beautiful and elegant lady, and we hope some of our boys may prevail on her to make her home among us.

Mr. John Pyle has returned from a visit among relatives in north Christian.

What has become of D. C.? Gone again to the "land of the lost." He is married, on the 19th last, at the residence of the bride's father Mr. John Davison. Mr. A. A. Steele, Mrs. Lucy A. Davison, and Frank of Hopkinsville. Mr. Steele has a lovely companion and caused an ardent wish in the hearts of several we know. We understand the happy pair will make Hopkinsville their home, and we commend the bride for many good traits to the people of the city, and had the pleasure of witnessing the nuptials, and congratulating Mr. Steele, and we hope their lives—

Parson friend Roy, who spelled the name from hearing it called and meant no offense. We are glad to hear from both Roy and Zip, and would love to meet both, especially the unprepossessing Zip.

Without prospects are not encouraging, still we hear of no that on the stock as yet. We have seen no corn above the clouds yet; all very buckwheat. No army worms in the vicinity that we hear of. A fair setting of tobacco this season; some having set half and most all a third of their crop. Oats, grasses, etc., are looking very well for the season.

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THE SOUTH KENTUCKIAN.

OFFICE: Bridge St., bet. Main and River
HOPKINSVILLE KY.

The Law of Kissing.

New York Times

There is a very important lawsuit in progress in Newburg, N. C., which will be watched with interest by the legal profession in all parts of the country. It is the first suit of the kind on record, but in the event of the plaintiff's success it will be by no means the last. Something ago Mr. Finch, of Newbern, who is in the jewelry business, exhibited in Miss Waters, a young lady, to whom he was on friendly terms, a boutonniere of real jet. The lady was very anxious to own the set, but was not able to buy it. In these circumstances Mr. Finch proposed a novel kind of bargain. He said he would sell Miss Waters the set for one hundred dollars, to be paid at the rate of one kiss, daily on each and every day next ensuing from the day of the agreement, excepting, nevertheless, each and every Sunday thereafter. It was further agreed that Mr. Finch was to call at the lady's house every morning, except Sunday morning, to receive his daily kiss, which Miss Waters unhooked and promised to duly deliver to him. This contract was not reduced to writing, but it was fully understood and agreed to by both parties, and the set of jewelry was tendered to Miss Waters and accepted by her.

The next morning Mr. Finch called on Miss Waters for his first kiss, which as the young lady now maintains, was fully paid. On each subsequent morning for thirty consecutive days—Sundays excepted—the same proceedings were had. On the thirty-first day however, Mr. Finch made a formal complaint that Miss Waters was not fulfilling her contract, inasmuch as she had failed or permitted him to kiss her cheek only. He maintained that this did not constitute a legal kiss, and he demanded that he should be allowed to put his arm around Miss Waters' waist and kiss her in the highest style of the art. To this request a firm refusal was returned. The lady professed her willingness to carry out her agreement, so far as her cheek was concerned, and even offered to give Mr. Finch his choice of cheeks, but she insisted that the contract would not bear the construction put upon it by Mr. Finch, and that she would never submit to such a construction. Thereupon Mr. Finch in great indignation, left the house and brought an action for breach of contract against the lady.

This action raises several new and interesting questions, among the most important of which is "What constitutes, in the eye of the law, a kiss?" The testimony of several experts is to be introduced by the plaintiff; but, although all these experts will probably start out with the assertion that a kiss is that which is impressed upon one pair of lips by another pair, they will subsequently be compelled to admit on cross examination that one pair of lips alone may imprint a kiss upon any accessible object. This action, at first sight, falls into the defendant's claim that the defendant did not turn his lips with law enforcement, but it must be noticed that he gave the lady the impression that there is a difference between active and passive kisses; that Miss Waters promised to give him a certain quantity—not to permit him to take them—and that giving kisses is an act which requires the use of the lips. This is certainly a strong point, and though the court may decide that there is no one variety of kiss which can be held to be the only kiss known to the common law, it may give an authoritative definition of an active kiss which will be of immense service to mankind. It is maintained by counsel for the defendant that there was no contract between the parties, for the reason that kisses cannot constitute a valid consideration. This decision on this point will be eagerly waited for. That a kiss is something which can be given willingly and taken by force and that it is commonly required to possess more or less intrinsic value, are points which the plaintiff's counsel will eloquently maintain. Hence it seems that a kiss may be a valuable and sufficient consideration upon which to base a contract. On the other hand, it is asserted that courts have recognized a kiss as a property capable of being stolen, and that when a kiss has been seized by violence, necessarily of the injured party is an action for assault. It is evident that we have here a question which admits of a vast amount of argument, and that the judicial decision will mark an era in our common law jurisprudence.

There is still another defense upon which the defendant's counsel is understood to place great reliance. It is claimed that even if there was a valid contract between the parties, and if the defendant did break it, the plaintiff's proper remedy is not an action for breach of contract, but a bill in equity for specific performance. Probably the plaintiff would have been wise had he resorted to the latter course. In case of his success he would then have received specified quantities of definite kisses of one kind or the other, and would thus have gained a substantial victory. As it is his triumph in his action for breach of contract would doubtless bring him only a nominal sum by way of damages, and would render it necessary for him to institute fresh proceedings in order to gain possession of the jewelry. Still it may be means follows that because he may have a remedy in equity, he has no remedy at law, and it is reasonably certain that if there was a contract between himself and the defendant an action for breach of it will lie.

There are many ignorant persons who fancy that there is a city, probably in France, where the question, however, proves the contrary. The question at issue in Finch against Waters comes home to every mouth in the country. There is at present a lamentable vagueness of belief as to what constitutes a kiss, and as to its precise legal status. We shall now have these questions decided, and the social interests of the community cannot fail to be vastly benefited thereby.

Why the Congregation Smiled.

There was an embarrassed young man at Bowling Green, Ky., who escorted the preacher's fair daughter to church on Sunday night, and arrived late to hear the reverend gentleman read from the Bible, as the couple marched up the aisle. "My daughter is grievously tormented with a devil," which verse occurs in an account of a New Testament miracle. The congregation smiled, and it would be hard to tell which felt worse, the preacher, his daughter, or her escort.

How He 'Set 'Em Up.'

Simply because the man who stands behind the bar of a certain saloon on Grant Avenue is a pleasant-faced, smiling old man, certain parties came to the conclusion that there was no fight in him. Therefore cooked up a plan to play upon his fears and make him set 'em up' for the crowd. Three red-nosed men called upon the old man in a body yesterday, and business was opened by one of them saying:

"When I was here last night you handed me a glass of beer with a fly in it. No gentlemen would do that. You meant it as an insult, and now I demand satisfaction. You must meet me on the field of honor."

"Ish dot possible! What field ish dot?" exclaimed the astonished bartender.

"You must go out with me and fight dot!"

"Good gracious! Ish dot druv?"

"Yes, it. I'll go out and leave my two friends here to settle the details with you. I must either have blood or an ample apology."

When the belligerent had retired one of the others said:

"See here, old man, I'm afraid you've got yourself into a bad box. That clasp is a sure shot, and he'll wing you."

"How will he put some wings on me?" innocently inquired the bartender.

"Now listen. You insulted him."

"Iw."

"He demands the satisfaction of a gentleman."

"Yaw."

"You must fight a duel with him, or apologize and set 'em up for the beer."

"That is a due?"

"Why, you will go outside the city and pace off ten paces and shoot at each other. Now, then, will you do that or set up the beer and beg his pardon?"

"Well, I'll do you," replied the old man, as he lifted a big navy revolver into sight; "if I gets up der per I loses fifteen cents; if I go out and fight some she'll kill him stone dead!"

"And you'll fight?"

"Yaw, I'llh. It is a shener."

"Don't you know," said the man, after a blank silence, "that you'll have to fight all three of us?"

"Yaw, I sposo I will. I shall now fight you two and take the older ones to-morrow."

He then took his pistol for a club, dashed around the bar, and the way he rushed "em out was painful to see. The belligerent was wading on the corner, and as the pair came dashing out he called:

"Did he set 'em up?"

"Ish 'em up!" yelled one of the jumpers as he came to a halt— "isn't skink a man over two beer kegs and a table setting 'em up?"

Put Nobody on Guard.

In the spring of 1865 when Sheridan's cavalry unpealed up the Shenandoah valley to have a last wrestle with Early's troopers, a halt was made by a portion of the Union force near Waynesboro. Guards were thrown out to protect property, and among others the house of a lone and aged widow received such protection. Two dismounted cavalrymen were stationed at the front door, and it was half an hour or so before any stir in or around the house gave token that it was inhabited. Then the widow limped to the door on a crutch and called one of the guards to her and said: "What are you doing here?"

"We are guards to protect you and your property," was the reply.

"Well, you needn't fool away any time here. Early he come and took our hay. Sheridan come and he took our corn. Then Mosby he stole our hams and 'isters. Then Sheridan took our flour and eider. Then Early run off all our horses. All I had left this morning was an old sick mule and meat enough for one hoe-eake. The mule he died two hours ago and I've just eaten the last of the cake, and if you can find anything worth guarding around here you can have it and tote it off."

"But some of the soldiers may disturb you."

"I goss not," she said, as she pointed to the spot where a cannon ball had torn through the house. "The day that ball was shot through there, I was rocking and singing the 'Pilgrim's Hope,' and I didn't miss a rock nor drop a note. I don't hardly think one brigade of horse-sorers can disturb me very much. You oblige me by going along!"—Detroit Free Press.

Tilden's Meanness.

The various scandalous stories that are being circulated about Mr. Tilden are, many of them, as untrue as they can be. There, for instance, is the charge that he is the same man that sounded the deson's horn at a big camp meeting. We consulted Judge Stark about the matter the other day and the court refutes the charge by asserting that it must have been our good friend, "Squire Beaven, of this city, that Tilden. So much for that. Next they say he is the infamous puppy that slit Col. White's ears. This, we are glad to see, is denied by Sam Gaines, a strong anti-Tilden man. Then he is charged with being the same man that stuck Billy Patterson. This, too, we are inclined to think, is a cook and bull story, for we don't believe Mr. Patterson was ever struck by anybody. Now, they have hatched by a lie and say he invented the 13-14 puzzle. Seriously, we don't believe Mr. Tilden did anything of the sort, because the Nashville American has never, in so many words, charged him with it, and it is quite clear that if there had been the smallest proof on the point the American would have dug up the old man in his meanness. We are inclined to the opinion that he is not guilty, or the American would have ciphered it out for us. So much for who's liable of meanness.—Clarksville Tobacco Leaf.

A Great Enterprise.

The Hop Bitters Manufacturing Company is one of Rochester's greatest business enterprises. Their Hop Bitters have reached a sale beyond all precedent, having from their intrinsic value found their way into almost every household in the land.—Graphic.

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